

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A computing device is provided with a number of programming instructions to  
5 cause display of first execution results of a first set of applications in a first plane of  
a metaphoric desktop, and display of second execution results of a second set of  
applications in a second plane of the metaphoric desktop. In one embodiment, the  
programming instructions are further designed to morph the metaphoric desktop  
from one plane to another. In one embodiment, the second set of applications are  
10 on-line applications, and the programming instructions are designed to cause the  
metaphoric desktop to morph from the first plane to the second plane when the  
computing device is being connected on line; and cause the metaphoric desktop to  
morph back to the first plane in response to a user request to return to the first  
plane.

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